

# JAPAN ENTERS PROTEST TO MANDATE DECIDED FOR PACIFIC ISLANDS

**Under the Proposal Agreed Upon by Mandate Commission, Japan Would Have Less Advantages There Than She Had Enjoyed While the Colonies Were Under the German Control.**

## AUSTRALIA HAS MANDATE ON ISLANDS

**In Accordance With Desire of Japan, the Mandate Was Held Up Pending Further Instruction from Tokio—Two Other Mandates Are Adopted by the Supreme Council.**

Paris, Dec. 24.—Japan's representative in the supreme council has objected to the form of the mandate under which the former German colonies in the Pacific would be administered. Time has been asked to refer the question to the Tokio government. Meanwhile the council holds the adoption of the mandates in abeyance.

The question of mandates was taken up today by the council, which considered the drafts that had been prepared and adopted two of these, which give mandates in Africa to Great Britain and Belgium. Final action on five others was postponed on request of the Japanese delegate, Baron Matsui. The mandates considered had been prepared by the mandate commission in London. They were in three series, denominated type A, type B, and type C. The two mandates adopted come under type B, providing for administration under the regime of the league of nations. The type A mandates apply to the Orient, and the type C to the Pacific colonies. It was the last named type of mandate that developed the objections upon the part of Baron Matsui. The Japanese delegates found that the mandates for the Pacific colonies gave Japan less advantage than she enjoyed in those colonies under the German rule. It was stated that three of the four voting delegates in the council approved the drafts, but Baron Matsui reserved the approbation of Japan and asked for time to refer the question to his government.

The details to which the Japanese representative objected were not disclosed, but it is assumed here that the question of the migration of Japan to the colonies which would come under the mandate of Australia, was involved, as well as the economic advantages the Japanese formerly enjoyed under the most favored nation clause.

## HOWAT RELEASED FROM JAIL.

**Agrees to Join Other International Officials to Urge Men to Work.**

Indianapolis, Dec. 24.—Alexander Howat, president of the Kansas district of the United Mine Workers of America, was released from the Marion county jail yesterday by United States District Judge Anderson. Howat agreed to join the international officials of the mine workers in sending telegrams to the district executive board in Kansas in an endeavor to have all strikes in the Kansas coal mines ended. Howat was released on his previous bail and if the agreement is carried out in good faith the contempt hearing, set for next Monday, probably will be continued against Howat, as in the cases of the other international and district officials of the mine workers.

## RETURNED SOLDIER SHOT SWEETHEART

**After Killing Miss Eleanor Carroll, Aged 19, Joseph Huels Shot Himself at Fredonia, N. Y.**

Fredonia, N. Y., Dec. 24.—Joseph Huels, a recently returned soldier, today shot and killed Miss Eleanor Carroll, 19 years old, and then killed himself. Huels and Miss Carroll had been sweethearts for several years. Miss Carroll was local manager of the Western Union Telegraph office.

## COLOR AND FLAVOR ALCOHOL.

**And Sell It for Whiskey Is Allegation Made in Chicago.**

Chicago, Dec. 24.—Three men, two of them dealers in grain alcohol and the other a salesman of barbers' supplies, today were under technical arrest, and the federal district attorney's office had started an investigation of several officials of the internal revenue department. It was charged the men sought to bribe deputy internal revenue collectors to permit them to color and flavor 150 barrels of alcohol and sell it as whiskey.

## SANTA CLAUS BRINGS REAL CHRISTMAS WEATHER

Washington, D. C., Dec. 24.—Real Christmas weather will greet Santa Claus when he makes his rounds to-night in New England. Snow flurries are forecast for this afternoon and to-night.

## NINE INSANE PEOPLE MISSING IN FIRE

**Were Occupying an Outbuilding of Connecticut Hospital for Insane at Middletown, Conn.**

Middletown, Conn., Dec. 24.—Nine men who were among the 53 mildly insane patients accommodated in an outbuilding of the Connecticut hospital for the insane were missing today, following a fire last night.

Those missing were: Theodore Osborn, Norwalk; Nicholas Venek, Hartford; Max Soraoka, Hartford; William Carroll, Waterbury; Philo Pritchard, Warren; Richard O'Brien, Stamford; Edward Tottle, Wallingford; Charles MacHeildt, New Haven, and Clinton S. Lord, Windsor.

The building was a modernized farmhouse, three stories in height. Dr. Haviland, the superintendent, inclined to the opinion that the fire was started from a heap of kindling wood which had been placed near the fire door of the hot water heater in the basement. In mild weather wood is used to heat the building. Yesterday a lot of wood was cut up for use and placed near the heater and it is thought the kindling may have come in contact with the fire box and ignited.

The house, with its timbers dry as tinder after 50 years of service, burned quickly. The flames ran from the basement to the roof in a very few minutes. The inmates were able, with the exception of those now missing, to get out by doors and windows. Very little of the contents was saved. The property loss was about \$5,000.

## BLEW OPEN BANK SAFE UNDER POLICE HEADQUARTERS

**Burglars Got \$5,000 at Bay State Savings Bank in Worcester, Mass., Last Night.**

Worcester, Mass., Dec. 24.—Safe-breakers blew the safe in the Bay State Savings bank last night and got away with about \$1,000. The cash in the vault was unusually low because of the Christmas withdrawals. The bank is directly under the Worcester headquarters of the state police. The break was not discovered until the bank was opened for business today.

## SOFT COAL NEAR BOILER

**Is Believed to Have Caused School House Fire at Worcester, Mass.**

Worcester, Mass., Dec. 24.—The Girls' Trade school here was damaged by fire today with a loss of several thousand dollars. It is thought the fire started in a pile of soft coal near the boiler. When the flames reached the building, flames had broken through the roof and the first Unitarian church was in danger. The school building was a three-story brick structure and was formerly used as a dormitory for Worcester Polytechnic institute under the name of Newton hall. It was leased by the city about six years ago as a trade school for girls.

The school was closed yesterday for the Christmas vacation.

## ROBBED 18 MEN OF \$2,000

**Three Yeggs Held Up Club Members in New York.**

New York, Dec. 24.—Three hold-up men entered the Eugene B. Duffy association club rooms early today, lined 18 members up against the wall and escaped with \$2,000 in cash and personal property.

## MONTPELIER

The trains this morning were a little late because of the heavy Christmas traffic. Many persons left Montpelier during the day for homes of relatives to spend the holiday. The offices in the State House for that town will be closed Thursday, although the heads of departments will probably look after important mail.

The girls in the secretary of state department of the State House, gave a Christmas party Tuesday afternoon, in which Christmas gifts were exchanged between the different clerks in the department.

The A. C. Brown heirs have deeded to Mrs. Ella Brown Bailey, one of the heirs, the house in which she lives on Summer street.

The Christmas exercises of the Unitarian church took place Tuesday afternoon when a tree was unveiled and gifts for the children. A suitable program was given.

Miss Marjory Jones, who is employed in New York, is visiting Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Jones, her parents.

Deputy United States Marshal G. F. Lackey went to Burlington today for the purpose of arresting a man from whom some 200 bottles of liquor were taken by the officers yesterday.

Eugene A. Davis of Northfield has settled his account in probate court as executor of the estate of Lewis H. Johnson, late of that town. Miss Minnie Steele of Roxbury is administratrix of the estate of Rolla G. Steele, late of Roxbury. The hearing relative to the will of the late Emma L. Jennings of Montpelier has been continued until Jan. 9. It is understood the will of the will is to be made.

## WOULD NOT KEEP GERMANY OUT

**Gen. Bliss, U. S. Peace Delegate, Urges a Place in Economic Coalition**

## EXCLUSION WOULD REACT ON ALLIES

**Europe's Most Urgent Need Is Pooling of Its Food Supply**

Washington, D. C., Dec. 24.—Europe's most urgent need today is the pooling of its food supply and the establishment of proper distribution facilities under a director general, in the opinion of General Tasker H. Bliss, a member of the American peace delegation, who reached Washington today from Paris.

Such an arrangement, he said, would remove discontent, strengthen morale and aid over the reformatory period for governments which have been created as result of the war.

Germany should be included in the economic coalition, General Bliss said. With Germany excluded, he declared, there would be an element of discontent which would inevitably react on the other countries.

General Bliss said no possibility of including Russia in the distribution plan, but he said if the present so-called government of that country today with all of the rest of the world for 30 days and during that time the general distribution of necessities could be worked out to include Russia, he believed the present situation of that country would be completely changed.

## SUE GAME WARDEN.

**Veteran Bear Hunter Causes Arrest of Erwin H. Metcalf.**

Brattleboro, Dec. 24.—County Fish and Game Warden Erwin H. Metcalf of this place was arrested last evening by Sheriff Frank L. Wellman in a civil suit brought by Mason Jones, a veteran bear trapper of Jamaica, and while damages sought are only \$70, the suit will attract wide attention among the sportsmen. Sherman F. Abbot, a merchant, became surety for Mr. Metcalf's appearance in court Jan. 12, and the hearing probably will be held here.

Mr. Jones claims that on Oct. 14, Mr. Metcalf shot a black bear which was caught in one of the plaintiff's traps and carried off not only the bear, but the trap chain and drag. He says that later the trap chain and drag of the bear skin were returned, but that the meat through careless handling by the defendant, spoiled and was not returned.

A criminal action was brought by the game warden against Mr. Jones on Monday, charging him with violating the game laws by not properly fencing off his bear trap when it was set. The bear was a tree when shot and the warden claims he shot the animal to end its misery.

## DRIVEN OUT BY FIRE.

**Occupants of Farm House at Highgate Center Saved Nothing.**

Highgate Center, Dec. 24.—The house and barn of Frank Hutchinson, located just outside the village on the road to Franklin, were burned yesterday, together with all the contents of the house and most of the contents of the barn, the loss being several thousands of dollars. A pig and several hens were burned with the barn.

The Hutchinsons were awakened by a noise in the kitchen and found a blaze working up through the partition, the flames having gained such a start that it was impossible to save the building. He carried a small insurance, but his cousin's family, who lived with him, carried none and lost everything they had, including clothing.

## NEW VERMONT CORPORATION.

**And Others File Applications for Increase of Capital.**

The Lowell Grist Mill Co. of Lowell has filed articles of association for the purpose of doing a milling business in that town. Its capital stock is \$5,000, and the papers were signed by H. E. Moore, A. P. Sweet and H. A. Parker of Lowell.

The Danby Marble and Lime company of Danby has petitioned the secretary of state for authority to increase its stock from \$6,000 to \$25,000, while the Perfection Overgrazer Co. of Burlington has petitioned for permission to increase from \$50,000 to \$100,000.

## GUILTY ON SEVEN COUNTS.

**R. B. Russell Charged With Seditious Conspiracy at Winnipeg.**

Winnipeg, Man., Dec. 24.—R. B. Russell, charged with seditious conspiracy in connection with the general strike in Winnipeg last May, today was found guilty by a jury on all seven counts in the indictment returned against him.

The first count in the indictment was "seditious conspiracy," the next five were for committing overt acts, and the seventh was for "committing a common nuisance."

## RESTRICT ARMS FOR MEXICO

**U. S. Govt. Revokes the Licenses Issued Prior to Last Sept. 30**

Washington, D. C., Dec. 24.—Revocation, effective Jan. 1, of all licenses issued by the war trade board prior to last Sept. 30, for the exportation of arms and munitions of war to Mexico was announced today by the state department.

It was said officially at the state department that the situation regarding the exportation of arms to Mexico was not changed by the order, but it was learned that the government intends to impose even sharper restrictions on the exportation of arms and munitions to Mexico than it has heretofore.

The announcement follows: The secretary of state directs that all outstanding licenses issued prior to Sept. 30, 1919, by the war trade board or the war trade board section of the department of state, for the exportation to Mexico of arms or munitions of war shall be revoked effective Jan. 1, 1920. Collectors of customs have been advised that such licenses will be of no further force or effect on or after Jan. 1, 1920.

By virtue of the authority vested in him by the proclamation issued by the president on Jan. 12, 1919, under section 2 of the joint resolution of Congress, approved March 14, 1917, and under an act of Congress approved June 15, 1917, the secretary of state prescribed that no arms or munitions of war shall be shipped from the United States to Mexico, except under the license of the secretary of state. All applications for licenses to export these commodities to Mexico must be made with the department of state, on official application forms furnished by that department, from which licenses will issue.

## STANDARD LOAF OF BREAD

**Suggested by the Vermont Commission of Weights and Measures.**

The bakers in Vermont today received a letter from the commissioner of weights and measures relative to the weight of bread. The letter, which is self-explanatory and which was sent to one of the bakers in Washington county, reads as follows:

"The net weight container law passed by the last legislature requires that the net weight is to be marked on all bread.

"As I understand it, the paper has to be printed before it is waxed, and the weight cannot be stamped on the paper after it is waxed. Therefore, the net weight must be marked on the paper before it is waxed.

"The continual increase in cost of flour makes it imperative that the bakers must cut the weight of the loaf or increase the price. This department, so far as it is able, would like to work in harmony with the business interests of the state, and we are anxious not to work any hardship on anyone. However, the laws of our state must be enforced.

"I am writing the bakers in the state to get their idea whether it would not be better to have the loaf remain uniform in weight and increase or lower the price as conditions demand.

"My reason for suggesting this is to save any loss which might be occasioned by changing the weight and having on hand a quantity of papers marked with a given weight other than the one delivered. It seems to me that it would be better to have a standard weight loaf all over the state, say, one-pound, one-and-one-half-pound and two-pound, and then there would be no loss in paper.

"We would like your idea before we make any ruling. I would suggest a conference of the bakers at some central point to agree on this matter. A representative of this department would be pleased to be present at such a meeting."

## TEN 20-GALLON KEGS.

**Of Rye Whiskey Seized by Customs Men at Highgate Springs.**

St. Albans, Dec. 24.—Three men were arrested and the biggest seizure of liquor which has been made yet by the customs officers in this vicinity was secured about 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon at Highgate Springs by Deputy Collector L. D. Seward of Swanton and H. B. Corliss of Highgate.

The amount of liquor taken was ten 20-gallon kegs of rye whiskey which the men were concealing in some hay which they were loading in the barn of Eli Chevalier at the latter's farm, at Highgate Springs.

The men arrested were Chevalier, A. Gamache, a farmer living at Maquon, and Adelmard Bertrand of this city.

Another arrest was made in Swanton last night when Robert Farley of this city was taken in connection with the recent seizure made near Swanton, when the men all escaped.

## CHRISTMAS AT THE ASYLUM.

**Elaborate Plans Being Made to Cheer the Inmates.**

Waterbury, Dec. 24.—The inmates of the state insane asylum will be given a merry Christmas cheer, as possible, for the building has been decorated in a festive manner, every ward having its Christmas tree with the customary trimmings, and there will be Christmas feasting beginning to-night with an oyster stew all around and continuing with a real banquet to-morrow.

The menu for to-morrow's banquet is as follows: Roast chicken with dressing, chicken pie, cranberry sauce, mashed potatoes, squash, celery, mince pie, Christmas candy, bread, butter, tea and milk. The large number of inmates of the institution will be well cared for.

## ACCRUED INTEREST NOT OF SURPLUS FUND

**Effect of Ruling by Vermont Bank Commissioner Will Reduce Number of Banks Paying More Than 4 Per Cent Interest.**

George B. Carpenter, Vermont state bank commissioner, has made a ruling, effective Jan. 1 next, to the effect that savings banks and trust companies in computing the "surplus fund" required by statute shall not include as part of the surplus, accrued interest account. The effect of this ruling will be to place practically all banks on a 4 per cent basis Jan. 1, 1920.

In making up their statements for some time past, banks have included as surplus the accrued interest account which has resulted in several institutions accumulating a surplus in excess of 10 per cent of their deposits, and under the new ruling, the surplus is to be made up of their deposits, and some banks have felt justified in paying interest on their deposits at the rate of 4½ and 5 per cent.

Mr. Carpenter has believed for some time that surplus accounts should be established and maintained in accordance with sections 5429 and 5437 and that the intent of law here sections is primarily to provide for the protection of depositors, a certain reserved fund, and that it should be maintained at all times in a certain ratio to deposits.

Because of the interpretation which has been given, however, he was reluctant to make any ruling without submitting the question to the attorney general, which he has done, and Atty. Gen. Frank O. Archibald, in an opinion rendered, holds this view about "accrued interest," and has interpreted the "surplus fund" to mean that an actual surplus of 10 per cent of the deposits is necessary before a rate exceeding 4 per cent may be paid on deposits.

Backed by the opinion of the attorney general, Mr. Carpenter has taken the firm position that this fund must be the provision of law and the item of accrued interest shall not be considered as any part of the surplus other than undivided profits.

In taking this step, which may not meet with favor in some quarters, Mr. Carpenter is guided by the basic principle of conservative banking which he believes to be in the interest of the depositors. Any competition among banks to increase the rate of interest unless warranted after fulfilling statutory requirements might result, it is felt, in the accumulation of assets which although paying a higher return would not be of the same character as the assets of the institution.

It is a recognized fact that Vermont banking institutions have an enviable record for safety and it is the purpose of the department that this reputation be maintained.

In respect to the question raised by trust companies as to whether they must accumulate a surplus of 10 per cent of their savings deposits above the commissioner holds that as the fund is reserved for the protection of depositors, the surplus of 10 per cent of all deposits, savings as well as commercial, will be required, which he considers ample security for a surplus.

The commissioner also is satisfied that the policy of paying 4½ or 5 per cent would not be wise to adopt or have in force throughout the state or view of the state tax of seven-tenths of 1 per cent levied on all deposits in state banks.

Mr. Carpenter is sending out letters to all state banking institutions calling attention to the ruling.

## MRS. WILLIAM STACY.

**Native of West Chazy, N. Y., But Resident of Barre 30 Years.**

After an illness over a period of more than a year, Mrs. William Stacy of Upper Prospect street died this morning at 8 o'clock. She had suffered from stomach trouble but had not been very ill until within the past few weeks. She had been a patient sufferer, bearing much with courage and patience.

Her husband, William Stacy, was born in West Chazy, N. Y., Dec. 12, 63 years ago. Forty-six years ago she was married to Francis Ducharme of West Chazy, N. Y., and by this union three children were born. One child, Sarah Ann Ducharme, died in infancy and Nelson and Willie Ducharme are both living in Barre. Mr. Ducharme died six years after their marriage.

Thirty-six years ago she was married again to William Stacy of Chazy, N. Y., who survived her, deceased, with five children. Miss Beside, Miss Maybell, Mrs. Jane Canton, Ernest J. and Harold P. Willard Jr. died in 1912. Miss Maybell had the care of her mother and Harold has also been at home during his mother's illness. She leaves, besides the above mentioned relatives, six grandchildren, Mrs. Charles Cassavah of West Chazy, N. Y., and two brothers, Henry Gonyo of West Chazy, who was with her at the time of her death, and Louis Gonyo of Solina, N. Y. She has lived in Barre for the past 30 years and has been a member of the Methodist church and a loving and devoted mother.

The funeral will be held Saturday morning from St. Monica's church at 9 o'clock. The body will be placed in the vault to await burial in the Catholic cemetery in the spring.

## TOLL BRIDGE COMMISSION.

**James A. Stacy of White River Junction Appointed by Gov. Clement.**

Governor P. W. Clement has appointed James A. Stacy of White River Junction as toll bridge commissioner in place of Gilbert A. Davis of Windsor, who recently died.

Mr. Stacy was a member of the House of 1915, and was prominent on the commission from Vermont that had to do with the building of the new canal unit from New England to England during the first year this country was in the war.

At a meeting last night of the Spaulding 18 class entertainment committee, it was decided that the class would go to the skating rink on Monday, Dec. 29, in the town hall in Waterbury. The hall has been procured and arrangements made for a banquet. Should enough snow fall before that time large sleigh barges will transport the 30 or more young people who are planning to go, otherwise the trip will be made in auto trucks. A three-piece orchestra of select musicians of this city will accompany the class to furnish the dance music. Other classmen wishing to attend should notify Dean Davis.

## ESCAPING GAS TOOK ONE LIFE

**Occupants of Six Houses on Burlington Street Affected**

Burlington, Dec. 24.—Mrs. George Raymond was asphyxiated and many other residents of Park avenue were endangered this morning by gas which escaped from a broken main. People in half a dozen houses on that street were affected by the gas, and no doubt the loss of life would have been greater had it not been for the activity of Edwin H. Chase in telephoning to the gas company and awakening other residents of the street.

## SEVERAL TAKEN TO THE HOSPITAL

**Mrs. George Raymond Died Shortly After Being Discovered**

Burlington, Dec. 24.—Mrs. George Raymond was found unconscious and she died not long after the family had been aroused. Her two daughters were in bed and were immediately rushed to the Mary Fletcher hospital.

At the residence of John Morrill, the entire family, consisting of Mr. Morrill and wife, two daughters and two sons, and Mr. Morrill's father, were taken to the hospital, where they were placed in the open air with the exception of the two daughters, who were sent to the hospital as soon as possible.

Sylvester Ploof and wife and their son and wife and two children were partially overcome, but all will recover.

## POULTRY RAISERS GET NEW INSPIRATION

**From the Exhibition at Pavilion on Pearl Street and from Judge W. H. Card's Lecture.**

The Vermont Poultry association, which is holding its show in the Pavilion building on Pearl street, has a collection of some of the finest birds shown in many years and has a large number of exhibits, with the majority of the birds fancy and Canada. C. J. Wright of Sherbrooke has a few fowls on exhibition. There are also on exhibition a few rabbits, New Zealand Reds from the fair station and from H. A. Kenerson.

The judging was begun yesterday forenoon and was finished today by W. H. Card of Manchester, N. H., and H. A. G. Leggett of Burlington, from the experiment station. Many of the birds exhibited are from out of the state, one from New York state, New Hampshire and Canada. C. J. Wright of Sherbrooke has a few fowls on exhibition. There are also on exhibition a few rabbits, New Zealand Reds from the fair station and from H. A. Kenerson.

Last evening in the granite manufacturers' hall before an audience of about 40 enthusiasts, W. H. Card, a man of wide study and experience, gave a fine lecture on poultry raising and feeding. He also showed the logic of the fact about the hen on the roost, the best layer and showed many other means of telling the laying capacity of the fowl. He dwelt at length on the feeding of chicks, throwing over some of the now standardized ideas of a few of the raisers, especially on the feeding of meat and meat scraps, stating that meat scraps were positively unnecessary.

Judge Card quoted very much from the well-known scientist, Prof. McCullum of the Johns Hopkins university in Baltimore, Md., explaining the necessity of green feeds, nearly all domestic animals. He said that vegetable grown above the ground contained the proper foods, even beets growing above the ground by hoing away the dirt from the base of the plant and let the plant grow in the sun.

The feeding of chicks was made a large part of his talk, the speaker lay much stress on the feeding of milk. Among the "don'ts" which he used in his lecture was "don't give baby chicks cold water." He advised, with enthusiasm, the feeding of sprouted oats, saying that it gave the chick nearly every food material needed. In urging the feeding of milk to chicks, said he could procure skim milk at only 10 cents per quart in his city, Manchester. He also said the young and old fowls were absolutely necessary to successful poultry raising. He ended his lecture by reviewing the feeding and by answering questions which were brought to him by the audience.

## RAILROAD STATION BURNED.

**Central Vermont Building at West Hartford Totally Destroyed.**

White River Junction, Dec. 24.—The Central Vermont railroad station at West Hartford was destroyed by fire last evening and a much heavier loss was threatened for a time. W. W. Munsell's general store and warehouse being in the immediate danger zone. The loss on the station is estimated at \$1,500, the building being one of the oldest structures on the Central Vermont line.

When the station was closed last evening at 5:30 by the agent, everything seemed to be all right, but at 8:30 when the mail carrier brought the mail a brisk fire was in progress, creeping through the partitions. The alarm was given in West Hartford and later White River Junction was called upon for assistance. After a hard fight the fire was confined to the station.

## TESTING MANY COWS FOR TUBERCULOSIS

**Out of 68 Tested in Barre Yesterday 10 Responded and Were Condemed—Fifty-Seven More Under Test.**

Wholesale testing of cattle for tuberculosis is being done in the city of Barre, largely as the result of the action of the city council in requiring application for such tests before permits are granted for keeping cattle in the city limits. There are at the present time 57 cattle at the Hopkins stable on Prospect street, where the animals are undergoing the test, while during the day yesterday the two veterinarians, Drs. W. A. Hamilton and J. W. Hermand, completed the testing of 68 more head of cattle either at that stable or at the owners' premises about the city.

Of the 68 cattle tested yesterday 10 responded to the tuberculin test and will be killed.

The result has been particularly heavy during the last few days, as the veterinarians plan to complete their work here to-night for the time being. Dr. Hamilton, who represents the state department, has been in Barre and vicinity since Oct. 1, while Dr. Hermand, who represents the federal department, came here more recently, having been transferred from Pennsylvania. Hardly a week has gone by when they did not test into the hundreds of cattle. These have not all been cattle owned in the city by any means, but the total number of city cattle has been surprisingly large.

It took 24 hours to complete the test of the cattle. At the outset three temperature tests are taken, these tests being two hours apart. Then there is an injection and eight hours after the injection the temperature tests are resumed, the normal number of post-injection tests being seven and taken two hours apart as previously stated. Sometimes the cattle respond to the test soon after the injection and other times not until the close of the seven post-injection tests.

When a grade cow is condemned the owner is allowed an appraisal up to \$100 and is then allowed 75 per cent of the appraisal. One Barre man had a cow condemned yesterday much to his surprise because the animal was said to be one of the finest looking animals tested in a long time and gave no outward indication of being diseased. The compensation to be paid for the cow was \$125 for the animal. Many of the cattle condemned are sent to the rendering plant in Burlington.

## TRAIN COULDN'T TAKE ALL THE BARRE MAIL

**Never Has There Been Such a Volume of Business Handled By the Barre Postoffice.**

Never have the mails been so crowded in Barre as during the past three or four days. So large has been the mail that all postal employees have been crowded to the limit, not alone in the postoffices but on the mail trains; and so heavy was the load yesterday it could not be handled over the railroads. Only a part of the mail dispatched from the Barre office at 5:50 yesterday afternoon could be taken on the local line trains and the balance was brought back to the Central Vermont railway station in this city and held there.

This extra heavy mail also is causing late train service, so that incoming mail has been from 30 minutes to an hour and a half late every day this week. This causes delay in the local office, where every effort is made to get the mail distributed in the quickest possible time. So large were the loads of the local rural carriers today that some of them had to make two trips to carry it all.

The Barre office will make one delivery to-morrow morning to all parts of the city and the general delivery windows at the office will be open until 10 a. m.

## WILLIAM JAMES TAYLOR.

**Death of Grocer Who Kept Store on Seminary Street.**

The death of William James Taylor, a grocer on Seminary street, occurred yesterday, it being caused by double pneumonia, from which he had suffered only in the past 10 days. Mr. Taylor had been in apparently good health up to about two weeks ago, when he became active about his business.

Mr. Taylor, who was born son of Thomas and Harriet (Walker) Taylor in Shrewsbury, England, 71 years ago, came to Barre from Sherbrooke, P. Q., last January and in June he began business as a grocer on Seminary street, where he has since lived. He had been a successful farmer in Sherbrooke for a great many years. His early life was spent in London, England, and he came to Sherbrooke when he was 14, working on farms until he was 20, when he bought a home and married Margaret Cameron of Vermont, P. Q., and lived there until